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*Weekly report of outgoing quarantine at Cebu, P. I., instituted for protection of other Philippine ports on account of the prevalence of cholera in Cebu.*

	Week ended—	
	Oct. 4.	Oct. 11.
Number of vessels remaining in quarantine from last week.....	12	14
Entering quarantine during the week.....	14	19
Discharged from quarantine during the week.....	12	18
Number of crew quarantined during the week.....	302	287
Cabin passengers quarantined during the week.....	14	14
Steerage passengers quarantined during the week.....	64	54
Vessels disinfected during the week.....	0	0
Cases of quarantinable diseases occurring among persons in detention, cholera.....	0	0
Pieces of baggage disinfected.....	18	32
Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.....	30	40
Vessels remaining in quarantine 7 p. m., October 4 and October 11, respectively.....	14	15

Vessels for clean ports are held in quarantine five days before being allowed to sail and inspected daily. Vessels for infected ports are cleared without quarantine detention.

H. A. STANSFIELD,

*Assistant Surgeon, Quarantine Officer, Cebu, P. I.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

PORTO RICO.

PONCE, P. R., November 17, 1902.

During the week ended November 15, 1902, but 1 vessel entered, the American steamship *Maracaibo*, from Maracaibo and Curaçao. She was held in quarantine transacting business under guard. No passengers or cargo for this port. One bill of health was issued.

W. W. KING,

*Assistant Surgeon.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

TURKEY.

*Cholera at Gaza and Lydda.*

JERUSALEM, SYRIA, October 18, 1902.

SIR: I regret to inform you that what is officially declared to be Asiatic cholera has reached Gaza and some of the neighboring villages, and has gone as far north as Lydda, about 12 miles inland from Jaffa. The number of cases at Gaza and vicinity are upward of 20 a day, and at Lydda 5 or 6 a day. For ten days past there have been rumors of what was said to be pernicious fever at Gaza, and five days since a commission of 3 physicians was sent to Gaza by the governor of Jerusalem and Palestine, and yesterday this commission returned and reported as above. The Jerusalem district is not yet infected. Jaffa, likewise, is not infected; still all the coast from Gaza north to Beirut, excluding Beirut, has been declared infected and quarantine of ten days declared against it. Jerusalem has quarantine against Jaffa and all the plain country to the west and south. It is so late in the season we hope that the epidemic will not come to the mountain towns. The last time that Jerusalem was visited by cholera was in 1865, in September, and it is now after the middle of October. It is unprecedented, so far as I can trace the history of cholera in this country, that this disease

should reach Palestine from the south. El Arish, the border town between Palestine and Egypt, on the coast south of Gaza, has suffered with the rest of Egypt, and it is not strange that it should make its way thence to Gaza. Again, it is very natural that it should appear at Lydda, for it is one of the largest market centers in Palestine, people coming in great numbers from all parts of the country to attend the weekly cattle fair held at that place.

The prospect for business and travel the coming season is far from bright. The number of cases reported above means the number of deaths.

I will add that the health of Jerusalem during the summer and autumn thus far has been remarkably good.

Respectfully,

SELAH MERRILL,

*United States Consul.*

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

*Foreign and insular statistical reports of countries and cities—Yearly and monthly.*

AUSTRALIA—*New South Wales—New Castle.*—Month of September, 1902. Estimated population, 48,225. Total number of deaths, 53, including measles, 2, and 1 death from whooping cough.

*Queensland—Brisbane.*—Month of July, 1902. Estimated population, 119,907. Total number of deaths, 76, including diphtheria, 1, and 1 from plague.

AUSTRIA—*Brunn.*—Month of August, 1902. Estimated population, 95,342. Total number of deaths, 115, including enteric fever, 1; measles, 3; scarlet fever, 1, and 31 from tuberculosis.

Month of September, 1902. Total number of deaths, 108, including measles, 1, and 26 from tuberculosis.

BAHAMAS—*Dunmore Town.*—Two weeks ended November 21, 1902. Estimated population, 1,232. One death. No contagious diseases.

*Governors Harbor.*—Week ended November 22, 1902. Estimated population, 1,500. No deaths and no contagious diseases.

*Green Turtle Cay—Abaco.*—Four weeks ended November 19, 1902. Estimated population, 3,314. No deaths and no contagious diseases.

*Nassau.*—Two weeks ended November 22, 1902. Estimated population, 12,535. Number of deaths not reported. No contagious diseases reported.

FRANCE—*St. Etienne.*—Two weeks ended October 31, 1902. Estimated population, 146,559. Total number of deaths, 119, including diphtheria, 2; enteric fever, 2, and 13 from tuberculosis.

GERMANY—*Dresden.*—Month of September, 1902. Estimated population, 404,600. Total number of deaths, 590, including diphtheria, 2; enteric fever, 4; measles, 3; whooping cough, 8, and 65 from phthisis pulmonalis.

*Weimar.*—Month of October, 1902. Estimated population, 29,116. Total number of deaths, 33. No contagious diseases reported.